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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to make you aware that we have had a positive case of Covid-19 in your child's class. Your child and other members of the class can continue to attend school as long as they have no symptoms.

Why does my child not need to isolate?

Children under the age of 18 years and 6 months are no longer required to isolate even if they are identified as a close contact as long as they do not have symptoms.

Is my child a 'close contact'?

'NHS Track and Trace' (rather than schools) are now responsible for identifying close contacts of positive cases. You may be contacted by Track and Trace and if so should follow the advice they give.

Does my child need a Covid-19 test?

• Children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months who live with, or are identified by NHS Test and Trace as a contact of, someone with COVID-19, should take an NHS rapid lateral flow device (LFD) test (home test) every day for 7 days (or until 10 days after the household member who has COVID-19 started their self-isolation period if this is earlier) and register their results. You/they should take this daily LFD test before you/they leave your home for the first time that day. As long as the result is negative, you/they do not need to isolate that day.

What symptoms should I be watching out for?

<p>The 3 main symptoms of Covid-19 remain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high temperature; • new continuous cough; • loss or change in sense of taste or smell 	<p>Milder symptoms can include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headaches • fatigue & lethargy • sore throat • muscle aches • shortness of breath • tummy upset/diarrhoea or vomiting.
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What should I do if I think my child does have symptoms?

If your child has any of these symptoms, they must isolate and you should arrange a PCR test for them. Please inform the school office if your child is showing symptoms. If you have done a lateral flow test (with a 'home' test kit) and it is positive you should still arrange a PCR test to confirm the result.

If the test result is negative they should return to school (coming in through the school office rather than going straight to class)

If the test result is positive your child will need to follow NHS Track and Trace guidance to isolate. Close contacts (such as the rest of the family) will be advised to take PCR tests.

Kind regards

Mr. S Martin
Head Teacher



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